



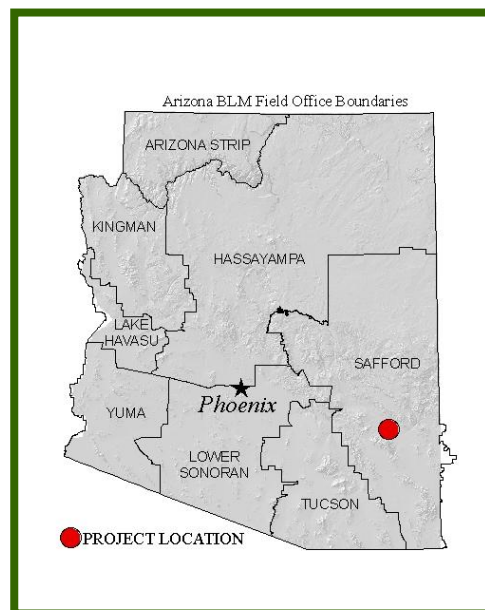
## Department of the Interior Recovery Investments *Investing in America's Economic Recovery*



### Sky Islands and Desert Seas Restoration, Phase II: Hot Well Habitat Improvement

#### Need

One of the unique features at the Hot Well Dunes Recreation Area is a Watchable Wildlife Area and pond created by water flow from an artesian well. The Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Hot Well Habitat Improvement Project will install a solar pump for the artesian well and pipeline that goes directly to the pond. The pond was identified as a critical wildlife area providing habitat for a wide variety of raptors and waterfowl as well as other bird and wildlife species. Flow from the artesian well has diminished in recent years and the viability of the pond is threatened. The project will also construct a building to provide storage for batteries that will be needed to ensure continual flow of water in the evenings. Work on this project is expected to take place between April 30, 2010, and January 1, 2011.



#### Recovery Act Funding

Information about the funding allocated for this BLM-Arizona American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) project will be released after the contract has been awarded.

#### Benefits

The solar pump will provide a continual water flow through the riparian area and maintain the water level in the pond. This project will benefit all wildlife that utilize the pond and will enhance the public's viewing opportunities for watchable wildlife.



#### More Information

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